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Open for dinner from 6pm on evenings when there are programs.

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La Peña is wheelchair accessible.

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Cultural Center Calendar March 1994

MAR - TUE	MIER - WED	JUEV-THURS	VIER - FRI	SAB - SAT
1 Since 1975, more than 500 community groups have used our facilities. The use of our space by these organizations does not mean that La Peña endorses the views presented. La Peña feels that it is important to help stimulate an environment conducive to discussion and understanding among different peoples.	**2** RECEPTION Artist Reception for **Carlos Villamar** and opening of his exhibit *Voces de mi tierra.* Sponsored by La Peña and Taller Sin Fronteras. **7pm Free** *Voces de mi tierra* will be on display for the month of March.	**3** **Is there Really a Peace Process in Palestine & Israel: What do the Women Say?** Celebrate Women's History Month by seeing slides & hearing stories and updated information "from the ground" from 4 members of the Middle East Children's Alliance Women's Peace Delegation. (This event is a benefit for women's projects in the region.) **7pm $5-$8 *** (no one turned away for lack of funds)	**4** CONCERT **John O'Connor** Flying Fish recording artist **John O'Connor** on tour! John paints vivid poetic images with simplicity and grace on a canvas of unforgetable melodies. "John's songs are wonderful, direct, simple, singable, powerful. When it comes to songs for and about real working people, John O'Connor is as good as they come."–Si Kahn. **8:30pm $8**	**5** FLAMENCO **¡Flamenco Vivo!** An evening of flameno dance, song, and music with **Keni "El Lebrijano"**, **David Gutierrez**, **Kati Mejia**, **Roberto Zamora**, **Sarita Ayala**, **Virginia Iglesias**. Featuring special guest singer **Jesus Montoya**. Advance tickets are available by mail thru 2/28 or at La Tienda thru 3/4. Boxoffice opens at 7:30pm. **8:30pm $12**
DOM - SUN	**LUN - MON**			
6 CONCERT **For Black People** presents the music of rapper, writer, and arranger **Kofy Brown** and her 3-piece rhythm section **Grove Hall.** Plus a special guest and **DJ Vinyl Call**. **7:30pm $5**	**New Cafe at La Peña** La Peña is pleased to announce that it has reached an agreement to lease out the café area to a newly formed group with a long history of working with La Peña and the progressive community. The group is comprised of Ricardo Navarette, Carlos Herrera, Oriana Ruíz, Hector Salgado and restaurant consultant Hugo Brenni. They will start up operation this month and will announce a grand opening at a future date.	**9** EVENT **Racism in Brazil** **Diva Moreira**, African-Brazilian political scientist and community activist touring the U.S. will discuss and present a video dealing with issues of racism in Brazil. She is the director of Casa Dandara, a political-cultural center dedicated to raising consciousness and fighting racism and discrimination in Brazil. **7pm $5***	**10** EVENT **Finally, a chance to free Gernonimo ji Jaga Pratt!** Come to hear the latest info and see recent Fox TV story on his case. Former members of the Black Panther Party will answer questions and give personal testimony. Reports on Pelican Bay State Prison and the fight against Mississippi jail lynchings. Spon. by International Comm. to Free Gernonimo ji Jaga Pratt. **7:30pm $3 (no one turned away)***	**11** CONCERT **Word of Mouth** On tour from L.A. former Sabia members **Libby Harding** and **Gary Johnson** and their new multicultural latin folk/world beat band return to La Peña. The L.A. Weekly describes their music as "gorgeous Latin world beat and politically charged nueva canción...Recommended!" **8:30pm $8**	**12** CONCERT **Savina Women's Folk Choir and Zapadne Lole** Songs and music from Russia, Bulgaria, Hungary and the Balkans. The choir performs a mixture of village songs and pieces by native composers. They are joined by Zapadne Lole who will play Slavic folk dance music. Folk dancers welcome! **8pm $8 adv./$10 day of show** Adv. tix available thru 3/11
13 CONCERT/THEATER **For Black People** presents singer/songwriter **Sebastian Robin Craig** performing new and standard compositions. **Djola Benard Branne**r of Pomo Afro Homos performs "The Sadie Series". Poetry, song and dance, and **DJ Vinyl Call.** **7:30pm $5**	 **Diane Ferlatte Sat. March 12** **10:30am** Storyteller Dianne Ferlatte shares stories and songs for the young at heart. Photo by Victor Hall	**16** EVENT International Indian Treaty Council monthly series. For details of this evening's program call (415) 512-1501. **7:30pm donation ***	**17** EVENT **The Land Struggle in Hawai'i** Kalahui Hawai'i, the Sovereign Nation of Hawai'i, presents "The West Beach Story" and "The Spirit of Kohnaiki", videos that depict the environmental and land struggles in Hawai'i. **7pm $5-7 ***	**18** REGGAE DANCE **CD Release Party with Inka, Inka.** Celebrate the release of the Reggae on the River's 10th Anniversary CD with the eight piece reggae band, Inka, Inka, featured on the lead track. CD door prizes will be given away. **9:30pm $8**	**19** DANCE with **Tropical Vibrations** soca, reggae, calypso and other Caribbean rhythms **9:30pm $8**
20 CONCERT **For Black People** presents poet **Wayne Corbitt** and saxophonist **Glenn Spearman.** Two of the Bay Area's most dynamic and original performers join forces to stage Corbitt's "Black Birds Boogie in the Black Moonlight". Plus **DJ Vinyl Call**. **7:30pm $5**	**21** **22** **Express Yourself!** La Peña offers free and fee classes in Afro-Cuban music, Mexican dance and music of Veracruz, Latin American guitar, Latin American new song choral work, Andean music, salsa dance and storytelling. Free classes for kids! See back of calendar for details.	**23** CONCERT DaddiGirl Productons presents **The Blacker the Berri...**, a celebration of sisters in song featuring the sounds of **Azucar y Crema** (Latin jazz), **Kymberly Jackson** (jazz vocalist/flautist) and **Toy Productions** (rap, hip-hop duo). **7:30pm $8 ***	**24** FORUM **La Peña** presents a report on the national elections and the social situation in El Salvador with **Hazaiah Williams** (OXFAM), **Elizabeth Wilcox** (SHARE Foundation) and **Anita Rodgers** (CISPES) who took part in a delegation sent to El Salvador to monitor the March 20 elections. Question and answer period will follow. Proceeds benefit the work of the groups above. **7:30pm $5 ***	**25** CONCERT **Passion Ensemble** **Juanita Newland-Ulloa** and the Passion Ensemble present an evening of boleros, ballads and bossas, many about or by women. The ensemble features: **Jack Gates**, guitar, **Jack Hines**, acoustic bass, **Ginny Morgan**, viola, vocals, and **Juanita Newland-Ulloa**, piano and vocals. **8:30pm $8**	**26** DANCE Celebrate Third Force magazine's successful first year with a dance party featuring **Dr. Loco's Rockin' Jalapeño Band!** Third Force is a magazine about "Issues & Actions in Communities of Color." **9:30pm $10-25* sliding scale** ($25 admission includes a subscription to Third Force, published by The Center for Third World Organizing, Oakland.)
27 **For Black People** presents an evening of Black female performance. Details to be announced. **Plus DJ Vinyl Call. 7:30pm $5**	**Advance Ticket Information** For programs that indicate that advance tickets are available, you may purchase those tickets at our store, La Tienda, up to one day prior to the performance. We do not accept charges by phone. You may send a check and self-addressed stamped envelope to La Peña at least one week before the show and we will send you the tickets. Thank you. (When visiting La Peña's neighborhood take care not to park in private driveways or your car will be towed.)	**30** VIDEO/REPORT Video presentation and report from **Nilo Cayuqueo** (Dir. of the South and Meso American Indian Information Center) on the Jan 22 meeting of 276 organizations in San Cristobal, Chiapas where the Indian and Peasant Council for the State of Chiapas was formed. Report on the convoy-caravan from the Coyote Valley Indian reservation to Chiapas. **7:30pm $5***	**31** VIDEO **Paper Tiger TV-West Looks at Domestic Violence and the Media** By establishing a relationship between personal experiences with domestic violence and the media's coverage of them, this tape challenges the viewer to examine the social forces which contribute to violence against women. Plus 3 other videos. **7:30pm $4**	

CELEBRATE WOMEN'S HISTORY MONTH

New books by and about women at La Tienda at La Peña

Coffee Will Make You Black, April Sinclair; *Pleasure in the Word: Erotic Writing by Latin American Women*; *We Who Believe in Freedom, Sweet Honey in the Rock: Still on the Journey* (book & recording); *Wild Women Don't Wear No Blues*; *Growing Up Chicana/o; Where the Island Sleeps Like a Wing*, Nancy Morejon; *Frida Kahlo, The Camera Seduced*, Elena Poniatowska; *The Bingo Palace*, Louise Erdrich, *Short Stories by Latin American Women*

Also: *The Cuban Revolution and the US., A Chronological History*; *Cuba Looks to the Year 2000*; *Triumphs and Tragedies, A History of the Mexican People*, *Time and the Highland Maya*, *Bridge of Courage, Life Stories of Guatemalan Compañeros and Compañeras*; *Aristide, An Autobiography*

New Music: *Descarga Boricua, de NG la Banda para Curacao!, NG Cabaret Panaramico; Cuban Jam Sessions y Más!*

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CELEBRATE WOMEN'S HISTORY MONTH

La Peña Children's Programs

March 5: Amiguitos de la Peña presents folksinger Faith Petric.
March 12: Amiguitos de la Peña presents storyteller Diane Ferlatte.
March 19: Amiguitos de la Peña present Juanita, Nayo, and Cristina Ulloa singing their original songs and favorites from Latin America.
March 26: Plum City Players Children's program with Bonnie, Nancy, and Annie.

Faith Petric

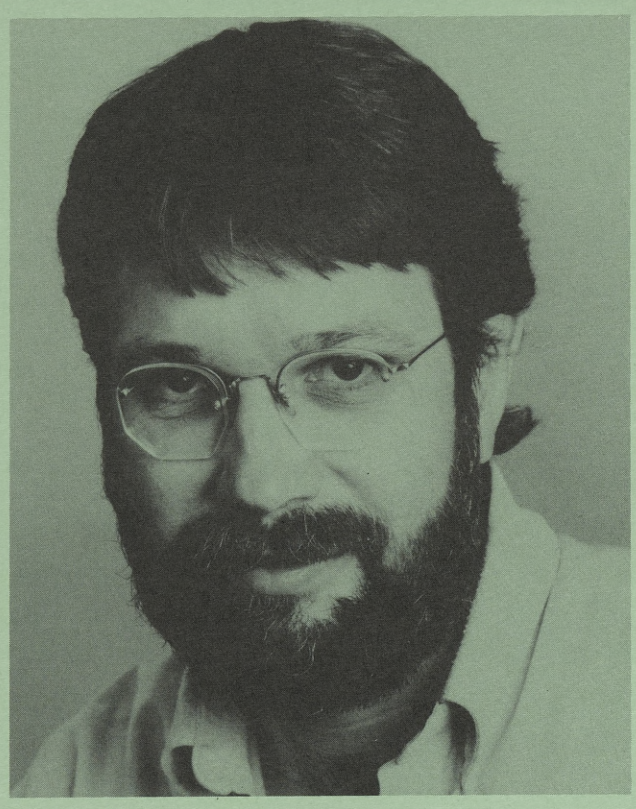
Programs begin 10:30am
Adults $3 • Children $2

CELEBRATE INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S MONTH

Savina Women's Folk Choir • March 12

Savina performs songs from Russia, Bulgaria, Ukraine, Bosnia, Serbia, Croatia and Hungary. A cappella and accompanied music that "can reach a moving spiritual depth or let go into joyful village-party romps." (Derk Richardson) They are joined by **Zapadne Lole** tamburitza band for folk dancing.

••• MARCH HIGHLIGHTS •••



John O'Connor
Friday • March 4 • 8:30pm

A prolific songwriter with four albums to his credit, John produces songs of fiber that expound on the themes that touch all our lives: love and work and struggle and fear and hope. In performance, John deftly strings his songs together, bridging one to another with tales and remembrances that he's picked up along the way. His performances are filled with humor and insight. "I have just listened to John O'Connor's *North by North* and was moved to tears. What a fine song! All of them!...This is good music, good poetry, good history ..."–Utah Phillips

Photo by Norman C. Hall

Flamenco Vivo
Saturday • March 5 • 8:30pm

An evening of flamenco dance, songs, and music with **Keni "El Lebrijano"**, **David Gutierrez**, **Kati Mejia**, **Roberto Zamora**, **Sarita Ayala**, and **Virginia Iglesias** and featuring special guest singer **Jesus Montoya**.

La Peña Art Exhibit
The paintings of Carlos Villamar
Voces de mi tierra

Reception for the artist March 2 • 7pm Free
March 1 – March 31

Word of Mouth
Friday • March 11 • 8:30pm

This Los Angeles based group is familiar to many Bay Area audiences. Many will remember Sabiá, the *nueva canción* group that toured extensively in the late 70s and 80s. Two of their members, Libby Harding and Gary Johnson, have formed a new group, Word of Mouth, with a Latin folk/world beat sound. Sabiá fans will definitely appreciate this new sound.

Photo by Patrick Johnson

Passion Ensemble
Friday March 25 • 8:30pm

In honor of St. Valentine, Juanita Newland-Ulloa and her ensemble present an evening of romàntic songs from Latin America. Juanita will also be performing with Nayo and Cristina Ulloa for a La Peña children's program on March 19 at 10:30am.

El Salvador Today Forum
Thursday • March 24 • 7:30pm

El Salvador is at a crossroads as the country prepares for national elections on March 20, 1994. Every political post will be on the ballot, including the presidency, the legislative assembly, municipal councils and mayoral offices. The elections are the culmination of sweeping changes set in motion with the signing of peace accords between the Farabundo Marti National Liberation Front and El Salvador's right wing government. Some of the speakers in this forum were members of delegations sent to El Salvador to witness and monitor the elections.

For more than 20 years, **OXFAM America** has been fighting hunger and poverty around the world. In El Salvador, OXFAM America supports community-based food production and grassroots economic development projects. Hazaiah Williams is Outreach Director for the West Coast office. **The SHARE Foundation**: Building a New El Salvador Today was formed by joining the Salvadoran Humanitarian Aid, Research, and Education Foundation (SHARE) and New El Salvador Today (NEST) in 1992. Their goal is to bring together the religious, peace and social justice communities in the U.S. to support the building of a new El Salvador. **CISPES** has a 13 year history of actively challenging U.S. foreign policy toward El Salvador and providing support to the Salvadoran people in their struggle for the creation of an equal and just society. CISPES supports a positive social, economic and political alternative in El Salvador.

La Peña is a bilingual multicultural center open seven nights a week for concerts, films, dances, classes, and grassroots fundraising events. **Since 1975 La Peña has relied on support from the community in the form of volunteer work and contributions. Without this support we could not exist.** La Peña is a non-profit tax-exempt organization. We urge everyone who appreciates our programs to make a donation to help La Peña continue its work as a center of progressive culture. ¡Que viva La Peña!

❑ Enclosed is my tax-deductible donation of $_____ to support La Peña's programming

❑ Please send me the calendar of events for one year ($2 minimum donation, actual cost to La Peña is $10)

❑ I would like to become a La Peña monthly supporter.
Enclosed is my first monthly pledge of $_____(minimum monthly pledge $10)

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CLASS SCHEDULE AT LA PEÑA

La Peña is proud to offer free Latin American workshops sponsored by the California Arts Council Artist in Residence program and La Peña. This year the CAC has awarded a new grant to Guillermo Céspedes and Chus Alonso who will teach Afro-Cuban music for youth, adults & children. The CAC has also renewed grants for Gilberto Gutierrez, from Mexico, to teach music and dance of the *son jarocho* of Veracruz, Mexico. Rafael Manríquez, from Chile will also continue to teach guitar and direct the La Peña Community Chorus. **Enrollment is limited and permission from the instructor is required. For more information, call Sylvia at (510) 849-2572 M - F 12 - 5 pm.** (TS = Theater Space, CR = Community Room behind La Tienda)

MONDAYS

Afro-Cuban Youth Ensemble – Free
(3:30 - 5:30 pm, TS) Instructors: Guillermo Céspedes and Chus Alonso

Afro-Cuban Adult Ensemble – Free
(6 - 8pm, TS) Instructors: Guillermo Céspedes and Chus Alonso
These two classes will be on break from Feb.21–March 14

TUESDAYS

Children's class in Zapateado, Mexican folkloric dance – Free (6 - 9 yrs)
(4:00 - 5:00 pm, TS) Instructor: Gilberto Gutíerrez

Beginning Adult Zapateado, Mexican folkloric dance from Veracruz. Free
(5:00 - 6:30 pm, TS) Instructor: Gilberto Gutiérrez

Advanced Adult Zapateado – Free
(6:30 - 7:45 pm, TS) Instructor: Gilberto Gutiérrez

Mexican Son Jarocho Music Workshop, instruction in jarana, an 8 string guitar like Mexican instrument – Free
(8:00 - 9:00 pm, CR) Instructor: Gilberto Gutiérrez

Latin American Chorus – Free
(8:00 - 10:00 pm, TS), Director: Rafael Manríquez

WEDNESDAYS

Beginning Latin American Guitar – Free
(6:00 - 7:00 pm, CR) Instructor: – Rafael Manríquez

Intermediate Latin American Guitar – Free
(7:00 - 8:00 pm, CR) Instructor: Rafael Manríquez

Advanced Latin America Guitar – Free
(8:00 - 9:00 pm, CR) Instructor: Rafael Manríquez

THURSDAYS

Introduction to Afro-Cuban Rhythms – Free
(5:30 - 7:30 pm, CR) Instructor: Guillermo Céspedes

Andean Music Ensemble, instruction in quena, zampoña, charango, guitar, vocals. All levels welcome.
(7:45 - 8:45pm, CR) Instructor: Nayo Ulloa $40/month or $12/class

SATURDAYS

Salsa dance class with Ricardo Hayes
(2–3pm beginning TS) (3–4pm intermediate) $6/class

Storytelling Workshop with Avotcja
Poet, storyteller, and musician, Avotcja will bring out the innate brillance and storytelling abilities of workshop attendees.
(3 - 5 pm, CR) $7/class $20/4 classes

Bay Area Southern Africa Network Meeting
The Bay Area Southern Africa Network meets regularly on the second Saturday of each month from 10am to 1pm in La Peña's Community Meeting Room.

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• Weekdays and weekends •
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Enroll now and attend an unlimited number of classes during the month of February and March

For more information call
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Demography and Distrust: The Latino Challenge to Civil Rights and Immigration Policy in the 1990s and Beyond

Sponsored by La Raza Law Journal at Boalt Hall School of Law and The Chicano-Latino Policy Project at U.C. Berkeley

Panel discussions with nationally noted scholars and legal practitioners will focus on the areas of education and health care as they relate to the Latino Community, and the fiscal impact of Latino immigration.

Free and open to the public

Fri. • March 18 • 12:30–5pm and Sat. March 19, • 9:30am–3pm
at the U. C. Berkeley Alumni House
For more information call (510) 642-9351

LIVE FROM REDWOOD

HEAT OF THE BEAT DRUM FESTIVAL

Friday, March 25
WOMEN'S SÉKERE ENSEMBLE
STEPS AHEAD TAP TRIO
MANGO JAM

Saturday, March 26
KEITH TERRY & CROSSPULSE
VICKI RANDLE
D'CÜCKOO

Drumming Workshops · Sat, March 26

First Congregational Church
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Tickets $18, $16, $14

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